

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The Honest Leadership and Open Government Act imposes restrictions on political contributions during legislative sessions and limits on lobbyist gifts. Under the Act legislators, the governor, and the lieutenant governor, or their respective campaigns, are prohibited from soliciting or accepting contributions from a registered lobbyist during the legislative session. In addition, gifts from lobbyists to a legislator or employee of the legislature are limited to \$50 per year (not including food and beverages for immediate consumption, social event hospitality, and other reasonable exemptions). Transparency of gifting is ensured through written reports by lobbyists that detail gifts to individual legislators or candidates for election to the legislature.

FISCAL NOTE

None

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